

**MEETING OF THE
WALES / GENESEE JOINT FIRE BOARD
VILLAGE OF WALES
TOWN OF GENESEE
September 17, 2014**

President Tom Hardin called the meeting to order at 6:08P.M. Public meeting notice was verified. Agenda was faxed to the Index, Waukesha Freeman, and the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel and was posted at the Village of Wales and the Town of Genesee.

ROLL CALL

FireBoard-Dave Kilpatrick, Jerry Kluessendorf, Carl Williams, Tom Hardin and Irene Ridgeman. Village of Wales- Gene Mayernick, Jeffrey Flaws, Dave Lang and Risa Kuhlman. Town of Genesee-Buck Houston, Charles Ross, Jim Morris, Sharon Lear, Jeffrey Herrmann and Jeff Schmittinger.

2015 BUDGET

The FireBoard presented the municipalities with a budget of \$688,294.00.

Revenue increase- \$45,000.00 more in EMS call due to the extra coverage in the Town of Genesee. \$1000.00 more in fire inspection fees due to incoming businesses. \$1000.00 more in 2% dues. Approximately \$94,000.00 will come from the Town of Genesee for the extra coverage area that will be taken over by the Wales Genesee Fire Department.

It was stated that the year 2015 will be an experimental year.

Discussion regarding collecting ambulance billing on property tax bills. Town of Genesee's attorney recommended not proceeding with this. Sharon Lear is going to check with other municipalities to see what there procedure is.

Village of Wales questioned if the FireBoard has D&O insurance for the Board members. It is not listed on the budget report. The FireBoard will check on this. Workers Comp insurance amount seems to be low for 2015. What classification does the Fire Department have. FireBoard should check on this also. The building insurance for 2014 amount should be looked at does not seem to be correct.

Chief Jim Moon stated that he is working on a plan for members and the qualifying hours for retirement system. A spreadsheet will be presented at the monthly meetings for the Fire Board. Jeff Hermann contacted the Wisconsin Retirement system and discovered that if any member did not qualify before July 1, 2011, now they will qualify once they reach 1200 hours.

Fire Chief will receive a 7 1/2% increase for 2015. This increase will be comparable to the area fire departments. The average is 3.9% increase over that last 4 years for the Fire Chief.

IT issues in 2014. A maintenance contract was purchased in 2014 and will continue to help with computer problems in the future.

Building repairs needed for 2015- resealing the parking lot and service/replace the Carbon Monoxide monitors.

Chief Jim Moon and Assistant Chief Jerry Orlowski are working on a 5-10 year plan for building maintenance.

An Intergraph Access Fee will be charged for 911 services. Chief Jim Moon would like to purchase MDT's (voiceless dispatch system) for approximately \$15,000.00. Will be put into two engines and truck 87.

EMT training account amount is high. Will need more members for the extra coverage area.

Discussion regarding paramedic intercepts. At this time not sure if the price will go up. Cannot fund our own paramedic system for \$44000.00. The paramedics intercept only bills if the patient rides in the ambulance.

Grant was denied for the purchase of radios. The radios will need to be purchased by the end of the year. 43 total – 36 hand held and 7 for trucks. Only officers and crew chief will take radio home. All other members have a pager.

Chief and FireBoard will work on the vehicle replacement plan and present to the municipalities at a later date.

Municipalities congratulated Fire Chief Jim Moon on the work he has done.

Buck Houston made a motion to approve the 2015 budget. Jim Morris seconded the motion and it was carried. Dave Lang made a motion to approve the 2015 budget. Gene Mayernick seconded the motion and it was carried.

At 7:30p.m. Jeff Schmittinger made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Buck Houston seconded the motion and it was carried. Risa Kuhlman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dave Lang seconded the motion and it was carried.

Submitted by:

Judy Runde
Secretary/Treasurer

